Gurgaon to lodge FIR with Sr. Superintendent Police Gurgabn to make necessary investigation' iri the ' matter. Consequently, Sr. Drugs Inspector Gurgaon has requested SSP' Gurgaon to register FIR against the doctor who reportedly dispensed the medicines and make necessary investigation of the entire episode.

FEE Hike in AIIMS

3443. SHRl JANARDHANA POOJARY:
SHRI K.M. KHAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether AIIMS students have a opposed fee hike passed by the authorities without approval cf students; and

(b) if so, the details thereof with action proppsed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) and (b) A proposal to enhance the fees in respect of all the courses run in the Institute was discussed in various fora of the Institute. It was noted that almost right from the inception of the Institute, tution fees and other charges have not been revised in respect of various courses being conducted at the Institute. It was decided that the enhancement should be made applicable to prospective candidates. The matter was placed before the Governing Body on 17.6.98.

Highest Percentage of Drop-outs at Primary Level among Muslims

3444. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the highest percentage of drop-outs at primary level is among the Muslims in India;

(b) the steps and measures proposed by Government to reduce the percentage of drop-outs among Muslims in India; and

(c) if no steps are taken, a section of society will continue to remain backward; if so, what is the solution in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) Disaggregated data pertaining to education of minorities is not maintained at the national level. However the Government lays special emphasis on the educational development of educationally backward minorities. In pursuance of the provisions of the National Policy on Education the Department of Education has launched Schemes like the Area Intensive Progrmmes for Educationally Backward Minorities and Modernisation of Madrasa Education in 1993-94 which have a specific focus on monority education.

There are other schemes of the Department of Education like the District Primary Education Programme, Operation Blackboard, Non-Formal Education, Mid-Day Meal Scheme, which also aims at improving the educational condition of minorities at the primary level.

Percentage of Marks required for seeking admission in science stream of class Xlth

3445. SHRI RAGHAVJI:
SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Kendriya Vidyalayas provide that students scoring certain percentage of marks or above, alone can offer science group subjects while seeking admission in Xlth standard;